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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE DESOTO CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL "JAGUARS" BOWLING TEAM AND COACH CODY GILBERT FOR WINNING THE MHSAA CLASS II STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

WHEREAS, we join the excitement in DeSoto County as the DeSoto Central High School "Jaguars" Bowling Team claimed the MHSAA Class II State Boys Bowling Championship on February 20, 2016, at the Metro 24 Bowling Center in Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the Jaguar boys finished the season 9-0 in matches, won the North Class II Regional, and the Class II State Title by defeating Tupelo 3-1 in the Baker System format to win its first State Bowling Championship; and

WHEREAS, Cole Neal and AJ Lancaster were recognized as two of the top five bowlers in overall average. Led by seniors Matthew Palmer, Jordan Nichols and Josh Farist, the team shot a total of 3,893 pins; and

WHEREAS, in the Baker Systtem format that determined the Champion, the top two teams with the highest total scores played a best of five series; and

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WHEREAS, DeSoto Central got out to a 2-0 lead in the series and Tupelo won game three. The Jaguars won the series in game four to clinch the State Championship; and

WHEREAS, "I always tell the guys to stay calm and focused," said Coach Cody Gilbert. "This team has worked hard all year and being State Champs was on their mind from day one"; and

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize these student athletes who have brought honor to their school, their community and to the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the DeSoto Central High School "Jaguars" Bowling Team and Coach Cody Gilbert for winning the MHSAA Class II State Championship, and extend to the team, coaches, parents and sponsors our best wishes for future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to Coach Cody Gilbert for the team, Principal Cliff Johnston, forwarded to the DeSoto County Board of Education, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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March 9, 2016